

James Dunham

Sailor

Ship Hesp. Capt. Brown

<sup>my</sup> Time for which he  
collected not mentioned

Did not serve  
nine months on  
the Continental  
Establishment.

Inadmissible

*...many words for use of over*  
*...business*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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Penobscot, ss.

ON the *11<sup>th</sup>* day of *April* A. D. 1818,  
before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Third Eastern Circuit, of the Court of  
Common Pleas, in said Commonwealth, including the Counties of Hancock, Washington  
and Penobscot : Personally appeared *James Dunham*  
who, being by me first duly sworn according to law, on his oath made the statement and  
declaration by him subscribed, and hereto annexed, in order to obtain the provision made  
by the late act of Congress, entitled "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the  
land and naval service of the United States, in the revolutionary war."

And thereupon, I the said Judge do certify that I am satisfied the said *James*  
did serve in the revolutionary war, as stated in his said decla-  
ration, against the common enemy, and that he has made it appear to me, that he is in re-  
duced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support.

Which proceedings and the testimony annexed, being all he has been able to produce,  
I now transmit to the Secretary, for the department of War, pursuant to the directions of  
the aforementioned act of Congress.

IN testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my name and caused the seal of said Court  
to be hereto affixed  
Judge of the Court as aforesaid.

*M. Kinley* Esquire,

I James Dunham of Carmel in the County of Proboscet  
a man, do hereby testify & say, that on or about the  
first of March 1778 according to the best of my recollection  
I shipped on board the public Armed Brigg called  
the Hope, (I think) Cap<sup>t</sup>. John Brown of Boston  
Commander: I shipped to go to Charleston S. C. and from  
there to Burdeaux in France: We took in a Cargo of  
Rice & Indigo, at Charleston; on our passage we  
were taken by a British Brigg of 14 Guns & carried  
into Grenox in Scotland; from which I was impressed  
on board the British seventy four called Defiance:  
from her I made my escape after a Cruise of nine  
months: I then went to Bristol; from there to the  
West Indies & from there to Boston: I was on board  
our Brigg about between two & three months: I was  
absent about eighteen months: We were bound  
to France for Military Stores for the use of our  
Army: — I enlisted into the Continental Service  
in the Spring of 1777. In Cap<sup>t</sup>. Sparrow's Company  
& joined General Spencers Brigade, near Bristol  
in Rhode Island: I was in the six months service  
and was regularly discharged in Providence. —

I have lost my discharge If I had one: I am now  
under reduced circumstances & need the assistance  
of my Country for support: I hereby resigning  
all claims to any Pension on Account of Service.

James Dunham